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ABSTRACT

This paper addresses the economic impact in Australia of vocational and technical training, particularly the economic outcomes of participation in vocational education and training. Two cohorts are examined, one born in 1961 and the other in 1965. Educational attainments and take-home earnings are reported and analyzed for each group when they were aged 25. Compared with graduates of higher education, those who successfully completed an apprenticeship or some other Technical and Further Education (TAFE) qualification come from a broader range of social and economic backgrounds. Only with regard to gender and its relationship to apprenticeship qualifications can TAFE be termed exclusive. TAFE provides an avenue of opportunity for those who have been less successful in school and who have left school without completing Year 12. Those males completing an apprenticeship had higher take-home earnings. Too few cases in either cohort allowed conclusions to be drawn about the effect of completion of an apprenticeship on take-home earnings for females in full-time employment. Further research is necessary to determine long-term, wide-spread effects of TAFE. A 39-item bibliography concludes the volume. (EH)

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